

Holstein, Capt. Otto

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under "White Eagle",
Serbian Order of

New York City, May 12, 1920.

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My dear Mr. Noe:-

I have your kind letter of the eleventh instant for which I thank you. I fear that my friend Mr. Drowne has robbed himself of the credit for presenting the decoration of the White Eagle of Serbia in my favor as I gave it to Mr. Drowne and when he said that he was going to present it to the Society as from me I told him that he should present it as from himself. However, the Society got the decoration and I am happy to know that you are pleased with it. Personally I think it is one of the most artistic of the foreign decorations, this one was presented to me but later I was given the 3rd Class (Commander) with swords which is worn at the neck and is considerably larger than the one you have. I really believe that the eagle of the chevalier which differs from that of officer only in that it is in silver while that of the officer is in gold, is the prettiest of all.

I thank you very much for your kind invitation to visit the Society's Museum and inspect the collection of decorations and I shall surely avail myself of your invitation and hope to meet you personally at the time.

With kindest regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Otto Helstein